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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Petition of Rural Water, Incorporated to Abandon and Transfer the Water Customers of the Pinehurst Subdivision, Abbeville County, South Carolina to the Donalds-Due West Water and Sewer Authority
Docket No. 2017-238-W

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed and does not oppose the petition of Rural Water, Inc. to Abandon and Transfer the Water Customers of the Pinehurst Subdivision, Abbeville County, South Carolina to the Donalds-Due West Water and Sewer Authority ("DDWWSA"). DDWWSA plans to extend lines to service the Pinehurst Subdivision with customers expecting to begin receiving service on or about December 30, 2017. DDWWSA rates will apply once customers begin receipt of service from DDWWSA. The minimum monthly charge will be \$23.00 which includes up to 1,500 gallons of water. The commodity charge will be \$5.25 per 1,000 gallons and applied to all consumption over 1,500 gallons each month.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns regarding the matter above.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey M. Nelson

cc: John C. Lake, Rural Water Inc. (via U.S. Mail)
Joseph Melchers, Esquire (via E-Mail)